

Case 7770

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the U.S. National Phase Entry  
Under 35 USC 371 from  
International Application of  
UNDERINER, Todd Laurence et al.  
Intl. Application No. PCT/US00/24713  
Filed in the RO/US on 08 September 2000  
Entitled: Enzyme Inhibitors

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.112

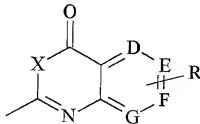
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Dear Sir:

Prior to Examination and computation of the fees for entering the captioned International Application into the U. S. National Phase, please preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following Remarks.

AMENDMENTSIN THE CLAIMS

3. A compound according to Claim 1 comprising an acyl unit having the formula [Mod]-XC(O)-T wherein said unit is tied back to said T unit to form a ring comprising from 1 to 5 carbon atoms having the formula selected from the group consisting of:
- i)



ii)